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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicant requests entry of the following amendment to the  
claims:

In the Claims

1. (Twice amended) A method for designing compounds  
specifically inhibiting targeted ribonucleic acid function  
comprising the steps of:

- (a) determining the nucleotide sequence in the targeted  
ribonucleic acid that is critical to function;
- (b) determining the secondary structure of the region of  
the targeted ribonucleic acid in which the critical  
site is located;

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